

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2150 – SB 2127

April 2, 2018

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Creates the Professional Art Therapist Advisory Committee of the Board of Examiners in Psychology (the Board). The advisory committee is to consist of three members who are licensed as professional art therapists and shall be actively engaged in the practice or teaching of art therapy in this state at the time of their appointment by the Governor. Entitles members to travel and other appropriate expenses while engaged in committee business. Requires the Division of Health Related Boards in the Department of Health (DOH) to provide administrative support to the advisory committee. Creates a Class B misdemeanor offense for unauthorized use of the title “licensed professional art therapist” and for conducting business as such without an appropriate licensure. Effective January 1, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Revenue - \$10,500/FY18-19/Board of Examiners in Psychology
\$10,500/FY19-20/Board of Examiners in Psychology
\$7,900/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years
/Board of Examiners in Psychology

Increase State Expenditures – Less than \$11,200/FY18-19
/Board of Examiners in Psychology
Less than \$12,000/FY19-20
/Board of Examiners in Psychology
Less than \$9,400/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years
/Board of Examiners in Psychology

Other Fiscal Impact – Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Examiners in Psychology had an annual surplus of \$78,383 in FY15-16, an annual surplus of \$64,956 in FY16-17, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$1,068,496 on June 30, 2017.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (016439): Deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is changing the effective date for promulgating rules and issuing licenses to upon becoming a law instead of January 1, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

**Increase State Revenue - \$21,000/FY18-19/Board of Examiners in Psychology
\$15,800/FY20-21 and Every Two Years Thereafter
/Board of Examiners in Psychology**

**Increase State Expenditures –
Less than \$21,000/FY18-19/Board of Examiners in Psychology
Less than \$15,800/FY20-21 and Every Two Years Thereafter
/Board of Examiners in Psychology**

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Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The art therapist license will cost at minimum \$300. The biennial renewal fee will be \$225.
- It is estimated there are approximately 70 art therapist in the state. For this analysis, it is assumed licensure for art therapist will remain constant and all will become licensed in FY18-19.
- The estimated increase in state revenue in FY18-19 is estimated to be \$21,000 (70 art therapist x \$300).
- In FY20-21 and biennially thereafter, there will be licensure renewal fee revenue resulting in an increase in state revenue exceeding \$15,750 (70 art therapist x \$225).
- Based on information provided by the Department of Health, the Board can accommodate the proposed legislation utilizing existing resources.
- The total increase in state expenditures is estimated to be less than \$21,000 in FY18-19.
- The increase in state expenditures in FY20-21 and biennially thereafter is estimated to be less than \$15,750.
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- There will not be a sufficient number of Class B misdemeanor prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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